

FISCAL NOTE

HB 1976 - SB 1918

May 12, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes the Victims Specialist Certification Act, which provides the following:

- Nine member committee, appointed by the president of the Tennessee District Attorneys Conference, will establish standards, certification process, application process and set fees as necessary;
- Specifies that committee members will not receive travel or other expenses;
- Victims specialist must meet education, training and work experience requirements;
- Certification committee will be assisted by the statewide victim-witness coordinator of the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

Estimate assumes there will be less than 100 persons making application for certification the first year and the fees established by the committee will cover the costs of processing applications.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director